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INDICATOR IN ACUTE
CORONARY SYNDROMES

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2006 (hereinafter, "the Office Action"), please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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